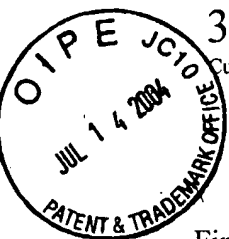


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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed April 09, 2004, in the above-identified application.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.